

**STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)**Applicant/Patent Owner: Bayerische Motoren Werke AktiengesellschaftApplication No./Patent No.: 7,088,829 Filed/Issue Date: August 8, 2006Titled: Method and apparatus for producing sounds that depend on the operation of an internal combustion engine in the interior space of a motor vehicleBayerische Motoren Werke Aktiengesellschaft, a corporation

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- ☒ As required by 37 CFR 3.73(b)(1)(i), the documentary evidence of the chain of title from the original owner to the assignee was, or concurrently is being, submitted for recordation pursuant to 37 CFR 3.11.

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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

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May 6, 2010

Date

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5. From: TÜV Automotive GmbH  
To: Bayerische Motoren Werke Aktiengesellschaft  
A copy of this assignment document is attached hereto.

## ASSIGNMENT OF US PATENT NO. 7,088,829

WHEREAS, TÜV Automotive GmbH, a limited liability company organized under the laws of the Federal Republic of Germany and having a principle place of business at Ridlerstrasse 65, 80339 Munich, Germany (hereinafter "the Assignor") and Bayerische Motoren Werke Aktiengesellschaft, a corporation organized under the laws of the Federal Republic of Germany and having a principle place of business at Petuelring 130, 80809 Munich, Germany (hereinafter "the Assignee") are the joint and undivided owners of U.S. Patent No. 7,088,829, which issued from U.S. patent application serial number 09/744,096; and

WHEREAS, the Assignee is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest of the Assignor in U.S. Patent No. 7,088,829, as well as to all rights, title and interest in damages for any past infringements of U.S. Patent No. 7,088,829;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and in accordance with a separate contract covering U.S. Patent No. 7,088,829 executed by the parties in July and August 2000, the contents, terms and obligations of which are incorporated herein by reference, the Assignor has sold, assigned, transferred, and set over, and/or does hereby sell, assign, transfer, and set over, onto the Assignee, its successors, legal representatives, and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest of the Assignor in and to U.S. Patent No. 7,088,829, and in and to any and all applications claiming priority to U.S. Patent No. 7,088,829 or U.S. patent application serial number 09/744,096, as well any divisions, continuations, and continuations-in-part thereof, and any reissues and extensions of U.S. Patent No. 7,088,829, and all rights under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, the same to be held and enjoyed by the Assignee, for its own use and behalf and the use and behalf of its successors, legal representatives, and assigns, to the full end of the term or terms for which Patents may be granted as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by the Assignor had this sale and assignment not been made;

AND for the same consideration, the Assignor hereby covenants to and agrees with the Assignee, its successors, legal representatives, and assigns, that, at the time of

execution and delivery of these presents, the Assignor's right, title, and interest are unencumbered, and that the Assignor has good and full right and lawful authority to sell and convey the same in the manner herein set forth;

AND for the same consideration, the Assignor does hereby sell, assign, transfer, and set over, onto the Assignee, its successors, legal representatives, and assigns, the Assignor's entire interest, right and title in and to any damages for compensation of past infringement of U.S. Patent No. 7,088,829 by any third party and hereby grants to Assignee the right to solely enforce U.S. Patent No. 7,088,829 against any past, present or future infringer of U.S. Patent No. 7,088,829;

AND the Assignor hereby authorizes the Assignee to record this Assignment with the United States Patent & Trademark Office and to solely take any and all further action to maintain U.S. Patent No. 7,088,829 in force;

AND, the Assignor's representative identified below hereby confirms that he/she is authorized by the Assignor to sign this Assignment on behalf of the Assignor.

Date: 10.03. 2010



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By signing below, the Assignee hereby confirms its acceptance of this Assignment from the Assignor and the Assignee's representative identified below hereby confirms that he/she is authorized by the Assignee to sign the Assignment on behalf of the Assignee.

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